

OPINION 2190 (Case 3354)***Tydeus* Koch, 1836 (Arachnida, Acari): *Tydeus spathulatus* Oudemans, 1928 designated as the type species**

Abstract. The Commission has ruled that all previous type species fixations for the nominal genus *Tydeus* Koch, 1836 are set aside and *Tydeus spathulatus* Oudemans, 1928 is designated as the type species.

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Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary power it is hereby ruled that all previous fixations of type species for the nominal genus *Tydeus* Koch, 1836 are set aside and *Tydeus spathulatus* Oudemans, 1928 is designated as the type species of *Tydeus* Koch, 1836.
- (2) The name *Tydeus* Koch, 1836 (gender: masculine), type species by designation in (1) above *Tydeus spathulatus* Oudemans, 1928 is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *spathulatus* Oudemans, 1928, as published in the binomen *Tydeus spathulatus* (specific name of the type species of *Tydeus* Koch, 1836) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 3354

An application to set aside all previous type species fixations for the nominal genus *Tydeus* Koch, 1836 was received from Henri M. André (*Musée royal de l'Afrique centrale, Tervuren, Belgium*) and Andrzej Kaźmierski (*A. Mickiewicz University, Poznan, Poland*) on 3 June 2005. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 63: 236–238 (December 2006). The title, abstract and keywords of the case were published on the Commission's website. No comments on this case were received.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 2007 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 63: 237. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 2007 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 16: Bogutskaya, Bouchet, Fautin, Halliday, Kerzhner, Kottelat, Krell, Lamas, Lim, Mahnert, Mawatari, Papp, Patterson, Rosenberg, van Tol and Zhang.

Negative votes – 6: Alonso-Zarazaga, Brothers, Grygier, Kullander, Pape and Štys. Minelli, Ng and Pyle were on leave of absence.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

spathulatus, *Tydeus*, Oudemans, 1928, *Entomologische Berichten*, 7: 380.

Tydeus Koch, 1836, *Deutschlands Crustaceen, Myriapoden und Arachniden. Ein Beitrag zur deutschen Fauna*, Heft 4=137, unnumbered page.